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MINK PRODUCTION - 2013

UTAH HIGHLIGHTS

In 2013, mink pelt production in Utah totaled 855,380 pelts. The number of pelts by color class as a percent of the State total is as follows: Mahogany at 43 percent and Black at 34 percent. The remaining color classes accounted for 23 percent.

Female mink bred to produce kits in 2014 totaled 200,680. Percent of total females bred to produce kits in 2014 by color class is as follows: Mahogany at 40 percent and Black at 38 percent. The remaining color classes accounted for 22 percent.

UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

Mink pelt production in the United States in 2013 totaled 3.54 million pelts. Wisconsin, the largest mink producing State, produced 1,129,960 pelts. Utah, the second largest producing State, produced 855,380 pelts.

The number of pelts by color class as a percent of the total United States production in 2013 is as follows: Black at 51 percent, Mahogany at 24 percent, and Blue Iris at 8 percent. The remaining color classes accounted for 17 percent.

Value of pelts produced during the 2013 crop year was \$200 million. The average price per pelt for the 2013 crop year was \$56.30.

Female mink bred to produce kits in 2014 totaled 851,530.

Percent of total females bred to produce kits in 2014 by color class is as follows: Black at 51 percent, Mahogany at 24 percent, and Blue Iris at 7 percent. The remaining color classes accounted for 18 percent.

For a full copy of the *Mink* report please visit <u>www.nass.usda.gov</u>.

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